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Your settlement is a travesty.

Paul Thurott's Wininfo website called your settlement a a travesty of justice. I wouldn't consider them a radical anti Microsoft site; just the opposite. I personally consider it a pretty mild comment.

At least 3 of the richest men in the world made their money by a blatant monopoly. They didn't reinvest any of the money to make it any more of a quality product than it had to be and the unreliability of Windows is legendary. The American people (and the world) were cheated as a result. They used their money underhandedly to drive competitors out of business and only invested money where it would crush a competitor.

There are good monopolies but Microsoft is not one of them.

There are laws designed to protect us from that kind of behavior. You are responsible for enforcing those laws and you failed to do so. I know you have an ideology, but you also have responsibilities.

You guys make me ashamed to be a Republican. Perhaps it's time to think about how you can recover some credibility.

Have a nice day. John Cox